

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (previously presented) A fastener for a floor carpet and a wire harness, comprising:

a base having a carpet engagement protrusion;

a wire harness holder adapted to hold a wire harness and pivotally supported on the base for movement between a first position away from the base and a second position adjacent to the base, at which a space is formed between a portion of the wire harness holder and the base; and

holder engagement means for connecting the wire harness holder to the base when the wire harness holder is in the second position and for sandwiching an end portion of a floor carpet, in said space, between the base and the portion of the wire harness holder,

wherein the fastener further comprises first and second rocker molding engagement means having inlets facing away from the base for receiving and retaining respective support legs therein formed on an inner surface of a rocker molding, when the wire harness holder is in the second position, and

wherein the first rocker molding engagement means is located adjacent to the holder engagement means, and the second rocker molding engagement means is located adjacent to the pivotal support of the wire harness holder to the base.

2. (original) The fastener as defined in claim 1, wherein the wire harness holder includes first and second arcuate arms pivotally supported on the base at one end of the arms and having free ends constructed for connection to one another to form a cylindrical structure for surrounding and holding the wire harness.

3. (original) The fastener as defined in claim 2, wherein the holder engagement means comprises cooperable parts on one of the arcuate arms and on the carpet engagement protrusion.

4. (original) The fastener as defined in claim 3, wherein the arcuate arms are individually pivotally supported on the base by separate hinges.

5. (previously presented) The fastener as defined in claim 4, wherein the first rocker molding engagement means is provided on the first arcuate arm adjacent to its free end and is U-shaped, and wherein the carpet engagement protrusion has a stop for limiting the insertion of the first support leg in the first rocker molding engagement means.

6. (previously presented) The fastener as defined in claim 5, wherein the carpet engagement protrusion has another stop for limiting the movement of the first rocker molding engagement means toward the base.

7. (currently amended) A fastener for fastening a floor carpet and a wire harness to a rocker panel and for supporting a rocker molding independently of the rocker panel, comprising:

a base ~~attachable~~ constructed for attachment to the rocker panel at one side of the base;

a protrusion on an opposite side of the base constructed for insertion in a hole in an end of a floor carpet; and

a wire harness holder on the base,

wherein the fastener has a pair of rocker molding engagement means, having inlets facing away from the base, and being spaced from one another and constructed for receiving and retaining respective support legs of a rocker molding.

8. (currently amended) A fastener according to claim 79, wherein one of the rocker molding engagement means is a part of the base and the other rocker molding engagement means is a part of one arm of the wire harness holder separate from the base.

9. (currently amended) ~~A fastener according to claim 8,~~ A fastener for fastening a floor carpet and a wire harness to a rocker panel and for supporting a rocker molding independently of the rocker panel, comprising:

a base constructed for attachment to the rocker panel at one side of the base;

a protrusion on an opposite side of the base constructed for insertion in a hole in an end of a floor carpet; and

a wire harness holder on the base,
wherein the fastener has a pair of rocker molding engagement means, having inlets facing away from the base,

and being spaced from one another and constructed for receiving and retaining respective support legs of a rocker molding, wherein the wire harness holder includes a pair of arcuate arms each having one end pivotally mounted on the base, the arms having respective free ends constructed for connection to one another to form a cylindrical structure surrounding a wire harness.

10. (currently amended) ~~A fastener according to claim 9,~~ A fastener for fastening a floor carpet and a wire harness to a rocker panel and for supporting a rocker molding independently of the rocker panel, comprising:

a base attachable to the rocker panel;

a protrusion on the base for insertion in a hole in an end of a floor carpet; and

a wire harness holder on the base,

wherein the fastener has a pair of rocker molding engagement means, having inlets facing away from the base, and being spaced from one another for receiving and retaining respective support legs of a rocker molding,

wherein one of the rocker molding engagement means is a part of the base and the other rocker molding engagement means is a part of the wire harness holder,

wherein the wire harness holder includes a pair of arcuate arms each having one end pivotally mounted on the base, the arms having respective free ends constructed for connection to one another to form a cylindrical structure surrounding a wire harness, and

wherein the free end of one of the arcuate arms and the base have cooperable latch parts for connecting the free end of said one arcuate arm to the base, with a portion of said one arm spaced from the base when the free ends of the arcuate arms are connected.

11. (previously presented) A fastener according to claim 10, wherein the portion of said one arcuate arm is constructed to engage the end of the carpet in said space for holding the end of the carpet on the protrusion.

12. (original) A fastener according to claim 10, wherein the latch part on the base is on the protrusion.

13. (original) A fastener according to claim 10, wherein the arcuate arms are pivotally mounted on the base individually by separate hinges and the arcuate arms are connected to one another by cooperable latch parts at the free ends of the arcuate arms.

14. (original) A fastener according to claim 13, wherein the protrusion is at one end of the base and the base has a post at its opposite end on which the arcuate arms are pivotally mounted.

15. (previously presented) A fastener according to claim 7, wherein the rocker molding engagement means are U-shaped.

16. (previously presented) A fastener according to claim 15, wherein the rocker molding engagement means and the respective support legs of the rocker molding have cooperable latch parts.